

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Patent Application

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Group: 1635

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Examiner: Amy H. Bowman

For: SEQUENCE #115 AS A TARGET FOR IDENTIFYING WEIGHT MODULATING

COMPOUNDS

REPLY & AMENDMENT

Nutley, New Jersey 07110 December 15, 2005

Mail Stop: Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 15, 2005, the Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments and remarks be made of record in the above-identified application. Submitted herewith is a Petition for Extension of Time (in duplicate) accompanied by the appropriate provision authorizing payment of the required fee.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper. Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.